

7. Animal health attestation for importation of [live molluscs, their eggs and gametes for further growth or fattening or relaying] or [live molluscs for human consumption]

I, the undersigned official inspector, hereby certify that the live molluscs, their eggs and gametes referred to in point 6 of this certificate fulfill the following requirements:

7.1 They originate from, and are harvested in, the territory with the code:_____.

- (a) where all farms rearing live molluscs, their eggs or gametes are officially registered by the competent authority;
- (b) where all farms rearing live molluscs, their eggs or gametes keep an updated record open to scrutiny by the official service at all times of: observed abnormal mortality; and of all the live molluscs, eggs and gametes entering the farm and leaving the farm for introduction into other farms or waters and all information relating to their delivery and dispatch, their number or weight, their size, their origin, their suppliers and their destination;
- (c) which during the last two years have been considered free from bonamiosis (*Bonamia exitiosus* and *Mikrocytos roughleyi*), marteiliosis (*Marteilia sydneyi*), mikrocytosis (*Mikrocytos mackini*), perkinsosis (*Perkinsus marinus* and *P. olseni/atlanticus*), haplosporidiosis (*Haplosporidium nelsoni* and *H. costale*) and withering syndrome (*Candidatus Xenohalotis californiensis*);
- (d) which is subject to a risk-based health monitoring and sampling programme — put in place, or officially recognised, by the competent authority — carried out in order to detect abnormal mortality and keep track of the health situation of the susceptible stocks, in particular as regards bonamiosis (*Bonamia ostreae*, *B. exitiosus* and *Mikrocytos roughleyi*), marteiliosis (*Marteilia refringens* and *Marteilia sydneyi*), mikrocytosis (*Mikrocytos mackini*), perkinsosis (*Perkinsus marinus* and *P. olseni/atlanticus*), haplosporidiosis (*Haplosporidium nelsoni* and *H. costale*) and withering syndrome (*Candidatus Xenohalotis californiensis*);
- (e) where all farms rearing live molluscs, their eggs or gametes have to notify as soon as possible to the competent authority any abnormal mortality and suspicion of the diseases above;
- (f) subject to appropriate disease control measures as necessary and at least equivalent to those required in Council Directives 91/67/EEC and 95/70/EC, and as regards sampling and testing for monitoring and in case of suspicion of disease, including abnormal mortality, Decision 2002/87S/EC; in cases where sampling and testing methods are not established in the Community legislation, the methods are those laid down in the relevant chapters of the OIE Manual of Diagnostic Tests for Aquatic Animals, fourth edition, 2003;
- (g) where all farms rearing live molluscs, their eggs or gametes have had no unexplained abnormal mortality or abnormal mortality caused by a pathogen during the last two years prior to shipment;
- (h) where all farms rearing live molluscs, their eggs or gametes have, during the last two years prior to shipment introduced live molluscs, eggs or gametes with a lower health status;
- (i) where there are, on the day of loading, no abnormal mortality and no suspicion of the presence of any of the diseases listed in point 7.(1)(d) of this certificate.

7.2. They:

- (a) have not, since the time of harvest, been in contact with other live molluscs, eggs or gametes of a lower health status;
- (b) are not intended for destruction or slaughter for the eradication of any of the diseases bonamiosis (*Bonamia ostreae*, *B. exitiosa* and *Mikrocytos roughleyi*), marteiliosis (*Marteilia refringens* and *Marteilia sydneyi*); mikrocytosis (*Mikrocytos mackini*); perkinsosis (*Perkinsus marinus* and *P. olseni/atlanticus*); haplosporidiosis (*Haplosporidium nelsoni* and *H. costale*) and withering syndrome (*Candidatus Xenohalotis californiensis*), or due to abnormal mortality caused by any other pathogen;
- (c) are not subject to any prohibitions for animal health reasons;

(d) were examined on the day of loading and showed no clinical signs of disease, including abnormal mortality, and

(e) were subject to an individual visual check of at least 1,000 molluscs randomly selected from each part of the consignment having a different origin, and no mollusc species other than those specified in point 6 of this certificate were detected).

8. Specific animal health requirements as regards *Bonamia ostreae* and *Marteilia refringens*

1, the undersigned official inspector, hereby certify that the live molluscs, or the eggs or gametes, referred to in point 6 of this certificate, originate from a territory that, in addition to the guarantees given in point 7 of this certificate is approved by the central competent authority as having a health status equivalent to the status of those farms and zones with approved status or approved program in the Community or in accordance with the relevant chapters of the most recent edition of the OIE International aquatic animal health code, with regard to *Bonamia ostreae* and *Marteilia refringens* —as they originate from: a coastal zone in which all farms and harvested natural beds:

— are under the supervision of the competent authority;

— are subject to health inspections, carried out at intervals adapted to the development of *Bonamia ostreae* and *Marteilia refringens* and samples are taken and examined for these pathogens with a negative result by an officially authorised laboratory in accordance with the procedures laid down in the OIE Manual of diagnostic tests for aquatic animals, fourth edition, 2003, Chapters: 1.1.4; 3.1.1; and 3.1.3, and

— since at least 2 years have been free of clinical and other signs of *Bonamia ostreae* and *Marteilia refringens*.

9. Transport requirements

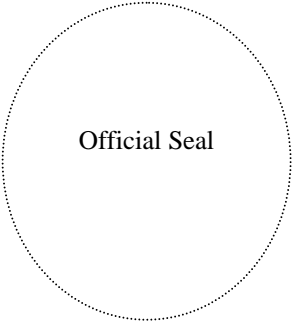
Furthermore, they;

— are transported under conditions that do not alter their health status, and

— have been placed in sealed watertight containers which were cleaned and disinfected beforehand using an authorised disinfectant and which bear on the exterior a legible label with the relevant information referred to at points 1, 2, 3 and 4 of this certificate and with the following statement:

— (Live molluscs) and (eggs) and (gametes) certified for further growth, fattening or relaying into EC coastal zones and farms including those with a Community approved programme or status, with regard to (*Bonamia ostreae*) and (*Marteilia refringens*).

Done at _____, on _____
(place) (date)



Signature of official inspector

(Name in capital letters, qualifications and title)